



Some pics from the fabulous Year 5 & 6 Camp at Arrowtown Holiday Park last week



Wallacetown School

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School Newsletter

29 November 2017



Rooms 2 & 3 had lunch at the park last Friday

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Dear Parents

Wednesday 29 November 2017

We are now rapidly approaching the end of the school year but we have a few more exciting events at school.

Tomorrow, Thursday 30th November, is Truffle making day at the Community Centre. Starting at 9am, work will go on all day and possibly into the evening. We need as many of you as possible to come along and help.

Next Tuesday, 5th December at 9.30am, the students will receive a lesson in boat safety. We will open the gate so a boat can be brought in and the children will learn about how to keep safe in and around boats.

Wednesday 6th December, we have 22 students away at the Mitre10 Tough Kids competition, which is being held at Rugby Park. Rugby Park will be transformed into a huge obstacle course, making for an awesome day out!

The senior students will deliver the Hot Gossip Magazine on the 11th December. School reports will go home also on that day.

The school breakup will occur on Thursday 14th December at the Community Centre starting at 6pm (students arrive between 5.40pm and 5.50pm). All students are to attend the break up in school uniform. The students do a small performance, we listen to a couple of short speeches and we hand out some cups. We then acknowledge all the leaving Year 6 students. The evening is finished with a BBQ sausage and a drink. We are looking for a couple of volunteers to cook the sausages for us. If you can help please let the school know.

Thursday 14th December is the last day of school for Room 2 and 3 students. Room 4 students return for the morning of Friday 15th to clean up the Community Centre and the school. School finishes at noon.

It's with great sadness that I have received resignations from our caretaker Vanessa Dawson and Sharon Pannett the schools Principal Release Teacher. Vanessa has done a wonderful job as our caretaker since 2013. Maintaining our school boiler lawns and swimming pool. She can put her hand to any job around the school. She will even pick up mice live or dead! Sharon's husband has retired and they are going to spend more time up in Central Otago so Sharon will not be able to continue here with us. Sharon is a highly qualified and experienced teacher we are going to miss her greatly.

If anyone is available to help during Golden Time on Fridays (only two left this year) it would be great to hear from you. For example supervising swimmers in the pool.

On Saturday 27th January we are having a working bee at school starting at 10am. We are going to give the school a good spruce up before school starts. Cutting back any overgrown shrubs, may be a touch up on some painting etc. It would be wonderful if some parents could come along and help us.

The staff school year starts on Tuesday 30th January with a teacher only day. Students start the year on Wednesday 31st January.

We plan to have a "Meet the Teacher and Goal Setting" day on Thursday 15 February.

Any questions about what is happening at school, please make contact with myself or one of the classroom teachers.

See you at truffle making

Regards, Neville

Sports Notices

Congratulations to Makarewa Mackerels for 3rd place overall in Water Polo and Makarewa Tall Ferns for 3rd place overall in Mini-ball.

Yasmin McLean received Player of the Day.

Well done to all the children that played a sport this year!! What a fantastic effort everybody put in. I'd like to thank the coaches and parents who helped me this term with the sports!!

Vacancy for School Caretaker at Wallacetown School

Our school has a vacancy for School Caretaker. The position is for 7 hours per week.

The duties vary but the key responsibilities are: ensuring the school grounds are mown and well kept, building and safety checks required by school policy and statutory requirements, preventative maintenance, swimming pool care and maintenance and management of the school boiler.

**Job description available from
admin@wallacetown.school.nz**

Please apply in writing explaining relevant qualifications and experience to the Principal by 3pm 11th December 2017.

Email: principal@wallacetown.school.nz

Important Dates for your Diary

Thu 30 Nov	Truffle Making Day
Wed 6 Dec	Mitre 10 Tough Kids Comp
Wed 15 Dec	Board of Trustee Meeting
Thu 14 Dec	School breakup function
Fri 15 Dec	Clean up —room 4
Sat 27 Jan	School Working Bee
Wed 31 Jan	Term 1 starts
Tue 6 Feb	Waitangi day holiday
Fri 30 Mar	Good Friday
Mon 2 Apr	Easter Monday
Tue 3 Apr	Anniversary day
Fri 13 Apr	Last Day Term 1

School Swimming: Now that the weather is so nice, the classes are going swimming regularly. Please send your child's swimming gear along to school each day. If your child can't go swimming for some reason. Please send along a note or make contact with



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Subway Lunch Orders:

Wed 6 December 2017

Please have orders into the office letterbox **by 9am next Wednesday**. Envelopes are included with this newsletter and more are available from the office

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Wallacetown School After School Care Club: OSCAR approved Child Care. Monday to Friday from 3pm to 5.45pm at Wallacetown School. Contact: Carolyn Milne ■ mobile: (027) 241 4602